and the second second

APR 24 2000

PAT.&T.M. OFFICE

| |) | |
|----------------------|---|----------------|
| Redeclaration |) | Hagen |
| Interference 103,228 |) | v. |
| |) | Hatch (patent) |
| |) | v. |
| |) | Hatch (reissue |
| |) | |

Pursuant to the Decision on Preliminary Motions of September 19, 1996, this interference is redeclared by adding Hatch et al. (Hatch) reissue application Serial No. 08/521,786 filed August 31, 1995 to this proceeding. Claims 1-22 thereof are designated as corresponding to the count.

The claims of the parties which correspond to count 1 are:

Hagen

: claims 1-4, 6-22, 29, 30 and 40

Paper No.

8

Hatch (patent) : claims 1-22

Hatch (reissue) : claims 1-22.

AdminUstrative Patent/Judge

(703) 308-9797

gjh





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Patent and Trademark Office

Address: BOX INTERFERENCE

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

Washington, D.C. 20231

Filed by: Michael Sofocleous Telephone: (703) 308-9823 Facsimile: (703) 308-7952

MAILED

APR 2 4 2000

PAT. & T.M. OFFICE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES Patentees: Hatch et al.
Application No.: Reissue
Application No. 08/521,786

Filed: 08/31/95

For: MAGNETIC HEAD SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY FABRICATED WITH INTEGRAL LOAD BEAM AND

FLEXURE

This case referred to above has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with other cases hereafter specified. Attention is directed to the fact that this interference is declared pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.601 et seq., effective February 11, 1985 (49 Fed. Reg. 48,416 (1984); 1050 Off. Gaz. Pat. & Trademark Office 385 (Jan. 29, 1985)), and amendments effective April 21, 1995. See Notice of Final Rule, 60 Fed. Reg. 14,488 (1995), reprinted in 1173 Off. Gaz. Pat. & Trademark Office 36 (Apr. 11, 1995). A clean copy of the interference rules, as amended, appears at 1173 Off. Gaz. Pat. & Trademark Office 384 (Apr. 18, 1995). The interference is designated as No. 103,404.

By direction of the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks and as required by 35 U.S.C. § 135(c), notice is hereby given the parties of the requirement of the law for filing in the Patent and Trademark Office a copy of any agreement "in connection with or in contemplation of the termination of the interference."



Serial No. 07/975,352

The cases involved in this interference are:

Junior Party

Patentees: Michael R. Hatch and Chak M. Leung

Addresses: 2163 Woodleaf Way, Mountain View, CA 94040

1242 Byron Street, Palo Alto, CA 94301

Serial No.: 08/042,906 filed 04/05/93, now Patent No. 5,282,103

issued 01/25/94

For: Magnetic Head Suspension Assembly Fabricated With Integral

Load Beam And Flexure

Assignees: None

Attorney of Record: Nathan N. Kallman

Associate Attorney: None

Accorded Benefit of: None

Address: Nathan N. Kallman

20900 Sarahills Drive Saratoga, CA 95070

Senior Party

Applicant: Tracy M. Hagen

Address: 4051 Sunnyside Road, Edina, MN 55424

Serial No.: 07/975,352 filed 11/12/92

For: One-Piece Flexure For Small Magnetic Heads

Assignees: None

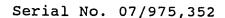
Attorney of Record: Edward P. Heller, III

Associate Attorney: None

Accorded Benefit of: None

Address: Seagate Technology, Inc.

Attn: Edward P. Heller, III 920 Dis Drive, Building 14 Scotts Valley, CA 95066



Count 1

A head suspension assembly including an air bearing slider and at least one transducer disposed on the slider for transducing data that is recorded and read out from a surface of a rotating magnetic disc, comprising:

a single integral planar piece of a specified thickness comprising,

a beam section formed with a narrowed end;

a gimbal section formed with two spaced gimbal beams defining a cutout portion therebetween, the gimbal beams extending from the narrowed end of the beam section, and a lateral section spaced from the beam section connecting the gimbal beams;

a load point tab extending from the narrowed end of the beam section, the load point tab being disposed between the gimbal beams of the gimbal section, the load point tab having a free end within the gimbal section, the load point tab being formed with a load supporting protrusion;

the air bearing slider being bonded to the lateral section and in contact with the load supporting protrusion;

whereby load transfer is effectively separated from the gimballing action of the slider so that pitch and roll stiffness is effectively reduced.

The claims of the parties which correspond to this

count are:

Hatch et al.: Claims 1-22

Hagen : Claims 1-4, 6-22, 29-30 and 40

Administrative Patent Judge

(703) 603-3312

gjh